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March 15, 2004

Ms. Rhonda Johnson Municipal Clerk City of Atlanta 55 Trinity Avenue – Ste. 2700 Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Ms. Johnson,

It is my pleasure to submit Ms. Michele Reiner as my appointment to the City of Atlanta's Keep Atlanta Beautiful Commission. I have attached a copy of Ms. Reiner's resume for consideration.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office should you require any additional information.

Best regards,

Cathy Woolard

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President, Atlanta City Council

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Executive Director, Cool Girls, Inc.; Atlanta, GA

10/03 - present

- Provide strategic leadership and direction for Cool Girls Inc., an organization dedicated to the selfempowerment of girls in low-income communities through a holistic model of out-of-school programs.
- Create and oversee a \$1,050,000 budget including fundraising, financial management and planning.
- Provide leadership and support to an 13 person staff and a 25 person Board of Directors, ensuring a goal oriented and continuous improvement approach achieving the organization's mission.
- Develop long-term strategic business plan focused on bringing the Cool Girls model to scale while maintaining the integrity of programming.
- Organizational awards and accolades during tenure: Oprah's Angel Network: Use Your Life Award, Edna McConnell Clark Foundation: Youth Development Fund Member, Greater Atlanta Community Foundation: Managing for Excellence Award.

Independent Consultant; Atlanta, GA

4/01 - 11/03

- Customized work for clients i.e. Morehouse School of Medicine, Sandy Springs Historic Community Foundation, Hands On Atlanta, Action Without Borders and the JANX Foundation.
- Skills and projects include fund development, board training, program development, event planning, and staff coaching/development.

Associate Director, CityCares; Atlanta, GA

6/99 - 4/01

- As Chief Operating Officer, oversaw day to day operation and management of CityCares, a national non-profit working to increase citizen service and civic engagement through 28 local affiliate organizations and their 210,000 volunteers.
- Garnered support of corporate, foundation, and federal funding communities, leading drive to increase budget from \$85,000 (FY 1998) to a projected \$2.2 million (FY 2001).
- Expanded communication and marketing strategies to influence field of volunteerism, national service and civic engagement.
- Built strong relations with affiliate Executive Directors and CityCares board members.
- Set vision, framework and sustainability plan for national programs expansion and national partnership development. Current large-scale initiatives: bridging the digital divide, increasing civic involvement and engaging persons with disabilities in service.
- Initiated and oversaw development & funding of a national web-based data management system a 3 year, million dollar project set to beta launch in Fall 2002.
- Created and led growth strategy for affiliate expansion, including piloting international efforts in the UK.
- Additional responsibilities included: hiring/managing staff, creating organizational culture, developing human resource policies and procedures, ensuring fiscally sound accounting systems and reporting, directing and leading all annual and strategic planning.

Director of Programs, CityCares; Atlanta, GA

3/99 - 6/99

- As first full time staff person in 6 years, reinvigorated the headquarter office and put the board's strategic vision into action.
- Developed and initiated a menu of tangible benefits for local affiliates, including technical assistance and support, annual conferences and training, Executive Director retreats, start-up manuals, list serves and a biweekly newsletter.
- Spearheaded national evaluation and impact assessments.
- Developed programs and partnerships with other national organizations (i.e. America's Promise, CNCS, Youth Service America, Social Venture Partners, Points of Light Foundation . . .) to support respective missions.
- Implemented a new dues structure marking the first time affiliates contributed financially to the national organization.

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EcoWatch Program Director, The Atlanta Outward Bound Center; Atlanta, GA 5/96-2/99

- Managed an AmeriCorps program committed to environmental service and youth leadership development.
- Responsible for increasing program size and outputs by 30% over a 3-year period, while maintaining a quality product.
- Oversaw annual budget of \$470,000, including responsibility for writing AmeriCorps and other grant proposals.
- Organized service projects with over 75 public, non-profit & educational institutions providing 200,000 hours of community service in the areas of community greening, environmental service learning and stream bank restoration.
- Created an experiential curriculum to guide process of utilizing the service experience for leadership development/team building.
- Documented, evaluated and reported outcomes to the Corporation for National Service, Outward Bound and other supporters.
- Planned and executed recruitment/hiring strategy to ensure diverse group of 9 staff and 100 members over 3-year period.

EcoWatch Project Coordinator, The Atlanta Outward Bound Center; Atlanta, GA 11/94-5/96

- Developed/planned environmental service corps focusing on teaching young adults leadership skills through community service.
- Conducted a needs assessment to determine the critical environmental issues facing the Atlanta community.
- Established partnerships with local environmental organizations to collaborate on the design of service projects.
- Designed and facilitated orientations, trainings and environmental leadership curriculum for program participants.
- Created systems, including necessary tools, to evaluate program goals and objectives.

EDUCATION

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK, New York, NY 1992-1994

Masters degree in Social Work. Emphasis on program development, management and evaluation (3.9 GPA).

DUKE UNIVERSITY, Durham, NC

1988-1992

• BA in Psychology.

ADDITIONAL

- Workshop Presenter at venues such as: National Community Service Conference, International Conference for Volunteer Administrators, Girl Scouts of the USA National Meeting. Topics include: 'Volunteering: A Bridge to Understanding Diversity', 'Service Learning' and 'Volunteering in the 21st Century'.
- Volunteer activities include: Atlanta Outward Bound Center Strategic Planning Committee, United Way Speakers Bureau, Atlanta Women's Foundation Grant Making Committee, Duke University Atlanta Alumni Admissions Advisory Committee.
- Honors: WLA Georgia's 100 Most Powerful and Influential Women 2004, CCFA 2004 Woman of Distinction, 'Michele Naporano Emerging Affiliate Award' distributed by CityCares, NSLI Executive Program graduate.
- Memberships: Atlanta Women's Network, Atlanta Women's Alliance, Environmental Education Alliance Advisory Council, Kiwanis Club of Atlanta.
- . Skilled at facilitating team building initiatives and low elements ropes courses.

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